

IS YOUR GIRL SAFE

Another Monster Assaults a Weak Child.

CAUGHT HER ON A DARK STREET

Little Nellie Kearns' Fearful Experience. Dragged Into an Alley and Her Clothes Torn From Her.

To the long list of outrages one more aggravated case is added. This time the victim is from an imminently respectable family living at No. 819 Fifth avenue, Nellie Kearns, 15 years old.

Monday night about 7:30 o'clock, in company with a younger sister, Eva, she started from home to visit a cousin living on the same street, west of Division. She proceeded several blocks and was in front of or near Charles L. Huggie's residence, between Center and Division, when she noticed a tall man dressed in a light overcoat, black derby hat and black trousers approaching her, his head bowed slightly and his hat drawn down over his eyes.

She thought it was her cousin coming to meet her and did not experience the slightest alarm, but tripped lightly along, thinking to show her relative that he had not fooled her.

As the man drew near, he staggered in her direction and threw one arm about her waist. For the first time she realized he was a stranger, and attempted to escape his grasp. Her little sister ran frightened away, and fell fainting a few rods distant.

Nellie screamed and began to struggle with her assailant. He pulled a handkerchief from his pocket and tried to place it over her mouth to check her outcry at the same time dragging her in the direction of an adjacent alley. The young girl finally became exhausted and vainly crying for help ceased to resist.

The street was deserted at the time. The man threw the girl to the ground and began tearing her clothes from her body.

With an almost super-human effort Nellie uttered a piercing scream which frightened the man to such an extent that he ran from her, leaving her prostrate on the ground.

Miss Kearns arose from the ground and entered the house of Charles Huggie, to whom she told her story, and he accompanied her home. The girl feels sure she can recognize the man who attacked her.

NORTON IN THE COURT.

Little Girls Testify That He Committed a Brutal Assault.

The examination of Charles Norton, charged with committing a felonious assault upon little Eva Pennell, was begun in police court yesterday morning. Considerable difficulty was experienced in inducing the Pennell girl to tell her story. She was timid and it was not until the court ordered all the spectators out of the room that she was prevailed upon to talk. She then told the details of the heinous offense. Norton was employed as teamster for Tate, the contractor. He persuaded his victim, ten years old, Lillie Gowen, eight years old, George Canfield, seven years old and Kate Parish, about the same age, to ride on his wagon. When he reached the barn on Ellsworth avenue, the children alighted and went to Ball's hill. Norton, who is a man about thirty years of age, followed them. When he had overtaken the children he grasped Eva Pennell and dragged her behind a pile of lumber. On the witness stand yesterday Lily Gowen, George Canfield and Kate Parish, testified to having stood by and witnessed the crime. The people had no further witness yesterday and the case was adjourned until January 22.

EXAMINING AN EMBEZZLER.

Richard Dent on the Carpet for Alleged Crookedness.

The Richard Dent embezzlement case came to an examination in police court yesterday. Dent was arrested on complaint of Horatio Haskell, state agent of the Home Life Insurance company, for converting \$250 to his use. Dent collected premiums in the way of notes and deposited the same as collateral with the National City bank to secure a note given by himself for a large amount. He represented to J. Frederick Baer, the cashier, that the notes were his own property. Charles L. Knus, of Holton, Muskegon county, testified to having been given Dent his note, as did several other parties, in payment for a life insurance policy. The defense objected to the introduction of testimony in regard to the notes as the complaint did not specify any particular notes. The case was continued until today.

DECLINE TO APPEAR.

Mrs. Rogers and Witnesses Do Not Show Up in Court.

Mrs. Rogers, who was represented in a morning paper as having been insulted by Superintendent of Police Eastman, and who appeared before the board of police and fire commissioners and gave the names of her witnesses, does not feel disposed to press her case. She, as well as each person whose names she gave, have been notified in writing by the secretary of the board to appear, but for some reason or other they decline to put in an appearance. The matter has been referred to Commissioner Bender and the committee on rules to make a final report.

RELEASED FROM CUSTODY.

Robert Jackson Allowed to Go on His Own Recognizance.

Robert Jackson, the alleged rapist, has been released on his own recognizance. The police have been unable to locate the whereabouts of Rickie Van Dert, the alleged victim and principal witness, who it is claimed was spirited away by her mother so that she could not testify. Jackson's attorney wanted the case dismissed, but the prosecuting attorney objected on the ground that there were hopes of finding the girl. The case was set for February 20.

Convicted for Fighting.

Lee Ramsey and John White, arrested on complaint of Simon A. Welsh for fighting on Calder street, were arraigned in police court yesterday. The former pleaded guilty and sentence was deferred upon him, his father promising to pay the fine. White pleaded not guilty and will have a trial January 26.

News Items of the Courts.

Frank Curtiss was arraigned in police court yesterday for the alleged sale of liquor. He pleaded not guilty and his examination was set for January 23.

On account of sickness Judge Bur-

ingham was unable to take up the robbery cases in the superior court yesterday.

Cornelius Greene and Leonard Greene, arrested on complaint of their father for truancy, were tried in police court yesterday and found guilty. Sentence was deferred until January 26, when they will pay a small fine.

Two Mortgage Foreclosures.

Lucey C. Andrews has begun suit in the circuit court to foreclose a mortgage for \$200, held on property in Wyandotte township owned by Mary E. May.

Frank E. Hurlbutt has begun foreclosure proceedings on a mortgage for \$1100 held on property owned by Michael Carr and Mary Carr in Cummings & Perry's addition. Clark H. Gleason now owns the mortgage.

Caught the Overcoat Thief.

Deputy Sheriff Pulver returned from Toledo last night bringing with him the fellow, Geo. Schaffer, who stole an overcoat from Charles Nye, the herryman, last Saturday night. He was lodged in jail.

United States Court Open Again.

Judge Severens, of the United States court, arrived in the city yesterday morning and opened court for business. There being no cases ready for trial, court was adjourned until this morning.

LAW AND LAWYERS.

Circuit Court—Part I.

JUDGE GROVE.

James H. Patton vs. Charles Schmidt, et al., trespass on the case; arguments partially submitted.

Circuit Court—Part II.

JUDGE ADAMS.

Frank Bonfoey vs. James Bayne and Wilker Coss, chancery; on trial.

Adalbert Audjenski admitted to citizenship.

George Charles William Herbruth et al. vs. Andrew Herbruth et al., appeal from probate; on trial.

Superior Court.

JUDGE BURLINGAME.

A. M. Rathbone vs. T. M. Fish et al., trial set for January 20; T. G. Albert et al. vs. J. F. Quigley et al., trial set for January 22; C. E. Hembling vs. city, January 23; Ocker & Ford Manufacturing company vs. C. W. Tufts, trial set for January 25.

A Canine Economist.

Bruce was a farmer's dog—a large bulldog well along in years—and he was the good he had done rather than for what was expected of him in the future! But the following incident, related by a son of Bruce's owner, shows that he was not past usefulness:

One morning in the early winter the farmer's good wife awoke to hear the wind howling terribly, and to see the snow flying all about the house. It was but the work of a moment to run to the window, and we think all good housewives will sympathize with the poor woman, when we say, of all the clothes she had left on the line the day before, not an article was in sight! We will not attempt to picture her consternation, but we will say that the old farmer himself was soon out in the snow. While zealously engaged in this snow searching, a waine from Bruce drew his attention.

As this was something unusual, he hastened to where the dog was lying in the snow, and there found the missing clothes! As they had been blown from the line—it was so high that he could not reach them—the dog had collected them, not minding a single piece, and using them as a bed had prevented further flight.—New York Advertiser.

Feminine Euchre Parties.

A purely feminine social occasion and one quite new this season is the afternoon progressive euchre party, composed solely of women. "Men are so possessed of the idea that women never play a scientific game of cards, and are so apt to show their displeasure at a mistake, this scheme of ours is quite a success," said the leader of the club of which I write. They meet in turn at members' residences, begin playing promptly at 2 and continue until 3:30, when a half hour is spent in chat and refreshments but while at cards the rules are very strict. From 4 till 5 the game is resumed, when three prizes are the result of the afternoon's success or failure. Bargain counters are searched for choice trifles to secure as prizes and the women declare they have just as good a time as when men are the partners.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Don't Give the Child Old Papers.

There are many bad habits which little children acquire from their playing. One of these is the abuse of books. It is a great mistake to give a child a newspaper to read and tear in bits, because when it is older and can reach the books on the shelves or on the library shelves it will fall to the ground and be trampled between them and valueless papers.—New York Tribune.

A Word About

Pianos. Hartman handles Decker Bros., Behr Bros., Everett, Krabeger and Mason & Hamilton. All the best makes. Terms to suit.

Col. Geo. A. Keeler, of the well known Boston furniture house of Keeler & Co., and Mr. Alfred A. Pocock, the popular hotel manager, have taken a long lease of the American house in that city. This is one of the oldest and best known hotels in Boston, is situated in the center of business, and under the new management, who contemplate many new improvements. It will no doubt become more popular than ever. It will be conducted on both the American and European plans and offer every facility for the comfort and convenience of the traveling public. Colonel Keeler has no intention of leaving the furniture business, with which he has been connected all his life, but will give his personal attention to both enterprises.

Horse for Sale.

Hartman has a fine driving horse he took in exchange for a piano that he wishes to dispose of for cash. Splendid animal with a record. Mr. Herrick will show him to you.

A Fire Sale Wednesday.

Violins, Brown and Other guitars, harmonicas, others, and other kinds of musical merchandise. Sale will commence Wednesday, January 20, J. A. J. Friedrich, No. 33 and 32 Canal street.

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SENT OVER TO JAIL

A Cunning Crook Will Have a 90-Days Vacation.

RAVISHER NORTON ON TRIAL

Three Girls Swear to a Strong Story of His Brutality—Jackson Set at Liberty—News of the Courts.

David H. Noel was in police court yesterday charged with false pretenses. He has been arrested several times for the same offense, but because of legal technicalities managed to escape punishment. He has many schemes for fleecing people out of money, one of which is to prepare a subscription paper and get signers, telling those whom he approaches that he would like to have them donate twenty-one cents. He would say that the money was not for him, but for a starving family. Very few refused. Another, which he worked successfully, was to rush up to a house and when the lady came to the door ask her to let him take \$1.25 for a minute or two, explaining that a man across the street owed him \$1.75, but had no change or time to make it. He would get the bill changed, return in money and be much obliged. Those who accommodated him never saw him again. One of the victims of this trick was Mrs. Patrick O'Neal of Front street. A third plan was to pawn an axe with a man for fifteen cents and then send a man around to borrow the axe. He told Judge Haggerty that it was only when he was on a spree that he did such things, and was very sorry. The court asked him if he ever worked and he answered that he had been known to work three or four weeks at a time, but couldn't remember when he had worked or where it was. He knew he was drunk when arrested. Judge Haggerty gave him thirty days in jail to sober up.

What spectacle is more disgusting than that of a man or woman with a skin disease which shows itself in pimples or blotches on hands, arms, face and neck? It is simply impure blood. See what BRADRETH'S PILLS did for a chronic case. George Chapman, Pincenning, Mich., says:

"For four years I was in the Mounted Infantry in the U. S. Army, residing during that time principally in Texas. Almost all of that time I had a chronic skin disease, characterized by an eruption over the entire surface of my legs and thighs, arms and chest. The doctors termed it eczema. I had given up all hopes of ever being cured, when BRADRETH'S PILLS were recommended to me. I concluded to try them, and I have thanked God daily since then that I did so. I used them for about three months, and by that time was completely cured, and have never had any trouble since."

He Stands Without a Rival.

Just think of it, Hartman's hall, the largest and in fact, the finest hall in the state of Michigan, has been secured by Prof. Norton B. Smith, the emperor of all horse educators, and the entire lower floor will be converted into a perfect arena. Six thousand feet of lumber and ten loads of sawbust will be required to form a perfect track, where all wild, vicious and nervous horse will be handled, subdued and driven single and double. Now if any of our readers have a horse that kicks, bites, runs away, or that is afraid of steam, electric cars, or that he has any bad habit, Prof. Smith will cure him free of charge by sending him to Hartman's hall. The opening of this grand instructive exhibition commenced last night, January 19, and from the present indications there will continue to be great crowds. The ladies have already manifested a great interest in these exhibitions, and Manager Behrman has to look some vicious subjects for the regular nights. There is no hall in this city which is more suitable for this kind of an exhibition.

Lily White Flour.

Made by Valley Milling Co., Grand Rapids, is a family favorite. Try it.

Mrs. M. Schaeferberger, Beaver Dam Wis., writes:

"We have used Dr. Thoms' Electric Oil in our family for coughs, colds, croup and rheumatism. It cures every time."

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Pine Syrup will satisfy any one that the lung-healing virtue of the pine tree has now been refined into an effective and convenient cough medicine. Sold by all dealers on guarantee of satisfaction.

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